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Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" May I know why the veterinary subordinates should be penalized for bad work in the past, if work has subsequently improved and increments have been recommended by the officers ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" There is no question of penalizing here."

Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" Because it is said here in answer that the previous year's work was found to be unsatisfactory."

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" Promotions are made with reference to work done in the previous year."

Popularization of veterinary education.

* 372 Q.—Mr A. B. Shetty : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether only 11 men, i.e., 6 men short of the number required for service in the Civil Veterinary department in 1927–28, graduated from the Veterinary College last year ; and

(b) whether the Government intend to popularize veterinary education and veterinary service by improving the pay and prospects of the subordinates in the department ?

A.—(a) It is true that only eleven men passed out of the College in 1927.

(b) The Government understand that the College does not attract more students because the number of stipends is limited to 15. The question of increasing the number of stipends is accordingly under the consideration of Government.

* Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" In order to attract more men and the right sort of men, will the Government be pleased to consider the pay and prospects of these people ? "

The hon. Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar :—" The question of the course of instruction given in the College is under consideration and along with it the question of pay also will be considered."

Affiliation of the Veterinary College to the Madras University.

* 873 Q. Mr. A. B. Shetty : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Goverument have considered the desirability of affiliating the Veterinary College to the Madras University ; and

(b) when they will give effect to it ?

A.—(a) & (b) The hon. Member's attention is invited to clause (b) of the answer to question No 718 asked at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on 31st March 1927.

Mr. A. B. Shetty :—" May I know whether the difficulties of affiliation could not be got over by amending the University Act in the required manner ? "

The hon. the President :—" The hon. Member will have to give notice of a question addressed to the hon. Minister for Education and Local Self-Government."